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Reference: Amended Mid-Year Report (1/1/97-6/30/97)

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses contribution(s) from a possible corporation and labor organization (pertinent portion attached). A contribution from a corporation or labor organization is prohibited by the Act, unless it is made from a separate segregated fund established by the corporation or labor organization. (2 U.S.C. §441b(a) and 11 CFR §103.3(b))

If the contribution(s) in question was not completely or correctly reported, you should amend your original report with the corrected information. If the contribution is from a corporation or labor organization, you should refund the full amount to the donor and notify the Commission of such action. The refund must be made within thirty days of the treasurer becoming aware of the impermissibility of the contribution. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(2)) Copies of refund checks for the contribution(s) in question may be used to respond to this letter. The refund should be reported on a Schedule B supporting Line 20(a) of the report covering the period in which the refund is made. (11 CFR §104.8(d)(4))

Although the Commission may take further legal action, prompt action by you to refund the prohibited amount will be considered.